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TAGS: BBSR, CE

SUBJ: WTDR/FTI KELANI CABLES LIMITED

REF: EMBASSY'S A-84, MAY 30, 1975

1. SRI LANKA

2. CNTRY CODE: 542

3. SER NO: N/A

4. KELANI CABLES LIMITED

4A. CODE: - 4B. CODE: - 4C. CODE: -

5. POSTBOX 14; WEWELDUWA, KELANIYA

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7. ESTABL: 1969

8. EMPL: 115

9. SIZE: (20-X) MEDIUM

10. REPUTATION: (22-X) GOOD

11. SELLS ITS PROXEE: 07/75

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13(A) 33552/33513/-IMPT. OF ALUMINUM RODS,

COPPER RODS AND WIRE ENAMELS

13(B) 33576 MFR. DIST. OF P.V.C. CABLES FOR  
HOUSE WIRING

13(C) 33577 MFR. DIST. OF MAGNET WIRES

13(D) 33571 MFR. DIST. OF HARD DRAWN ALUMINUM  
STRANDED CONDUCTORS

13(E) 3357161 MFR. DIST. OF STEEL CORED  
ALUMINUM CONDUCTORS

13(F) 33572 MFR. DIST. OF SOLID HARD DRAWN  
COPPER CONDUCTORS FOR TELEGRAPHIC PURPOSES

14. CONTACT: P.A.P.B. WIJEGOONEWARDENA,  
TITLE: MANAGING DIRECTOR

15. CABLE: NONFERROUS, COLOMBO

16. TELEX: 1216 NONFERROUS CBO

17. TEL: 075224 AND 075225 AND 075226

18. FINANCIAL REF: HATTON NATIONAL BANK LTD.,  
481 DARLEY ROAD, COLOMBO 10; PEOPLE'S BANK, KELANIYA;  
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, P.O.  
BOX 73, COLOMBO.

19. LECHNER METAL CO., OLD GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

20. FUCHS AND CO., A8055 GRAF, PUNTIGAMERSTR.  
127, AUSTRIA.

21. THIS FIRM, ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS CEYLON NON-FERROUS  
METAL INDUSTRIES LTD., AND INCORPORATED AS A PRIVATE  
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ON JANUARY 27, 1969, WAS  
CONVERTED TO A PUBLIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY WITH  
PAID-UP CAPITAL OF RS. 2,500,000 (\$384,000) ON  
DECEMBER 28, 1970 AND ADOPTED PRESENT NAME IN  
JANUARY 1974. IT IS 6-1/2 MILES NORTH OF COLOMBO.  
THE FIRM MANUFACTURES PRODUCTS LISTED IN 13 QBOVE  
AND HAS A READY SALE PARTICULARLY TO GOVERNMENT  
INSTITUTIONS WHICH REPORTEDLY PRODUCES LARGE TURNOVER.  
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IN 1970, IT OBTAINED A WORLD BANK LOAN THROUGH  
DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION OF CEYLON (DFCC) OF  
RS. 1.5 MILLION IN LOCAL CURRENCY (THIS INCLUDES  
RS. 500,000 IN PREFERENCE SHARES) AND RS. 900,000 IN  
FOREIGN EXCHANGE. A FURTHER IBRD LOAN OF \$30,000  
WAS OBTAINED IN 1973. EMBASSY INFORMED BY DFCC THAT  
REPAYMENT INSTALMENTS ARE BEING STRICTLY ADHERED TO.  
ACCORDING TO BANKING AND TRADE SOURCES, THE FIRM HAS

GOOD REPUTATION AND COULD BE CONSIDERED RELIABLE FOR  
BUSINESS ENGAGEMENTS. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS FIRM AS AN  
EXCELLENT TRADE CONTACT FOR AMERICAN FIRMS.

22. PREPARED BY: S. PATHMANATHAN. APPROVED BY:  
J.M. HAWLEY III, AT U.S. EMBASSY, COLOMBO, SRI LANKA.  
VAN HOLLEN

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